

DLSPH PhD Epidemiology Timeline

NB: These are the benchmarks against which your annual progress will be compared

Year 1

- Apply for external doctoral awards
- Complete 2.0*/3.5 required core courses and required elective course(s) if desired
- Complete TCPS ethics certificate
- Enroll, participate and present in doctoral seminar course (CHL5423H) (Note this is a 2-year course)
- Finalize supervisor and advisory committee (by December)
- Complete written qualifying exam component (June)
- Foundational dissertation work (i.e. literature review, developing objectives/research questions)

Year 2

- Complete 1.5**/3.5 required courses, including elective and doctoral seminar
- Participate and present in doctoral seminar course (CHL5423H)
- Draft dissertation proposal and complete thesis proposal defense
- Achieve candidacy (required courses, qualifying exam, proposal defense complete + supervisory committee identified)
- Start intensive dissertation work
- Have at least 2 committee meetings

Year 3

- Intensive research dissertation work
- Regular thesis committee meetings

Year 4

- Schedule and prepare for departmental defense
- Complete departmental defense
- Schedule and prepare for Final Oral Examination (FOE)
- Complete FOE
- Celebrate the completion of your doctorate!

* CHL5404H: Research Methods I; CHL5406H: Quantitative Methods for Biomedical Research; *CHL5408H: Research Methods II; *CHL5424H: Advanced Quantitative Methods in Epidemiology ** CHL5423H: Doctoral Seminar Series in Epidemiology; **CHL5428H Epidemiological Methods for Causal Mediation Analyses; **Elective course of your choice

